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CRIPPLED KIDS HELP CONCORDIA OPEN NEW STADIUM

MONTREAL / September 6, 1989 --- Concordia University will mark the opening its new 6,000-seat athletic stadium on Saturday, September 9, 1989, at 11:45 a.m., by hosting the third annual Shrine Bowl to raise money for the Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children.

The Concordia Stingers - Bishop's Gaiters game will be televised live across Canada on the TSN Network and feature a colourful half-time show staged by Shriners from Québec and the New England states.

The 270-foot-long grandstand was once part of the Verdun Stadium. It was donated to Concordia last year by the City of Verdun and reassembled alongside the athletic complex on Concordia's Loyola Campus (7200 Sherbrooke Street West). The new facility has doubled seating capacity at the site.

In addition to the concrete grandstand, Verdun's gift included lighting, fencing and a press box. A fund drive led by Concordia alumni will pay for the new stadium.

Besides the crippled children and the Shriners, dignitaries at the official kick-off ceremony will include Concordia Chancellor Alan B. Gold, Chief Justice of the Superior Court of Québec; Board of Governors Chairman P. André Gervais; Rector and Vice-Chancellor Patrick Kenniff; a representative of the City of Verdun, and George Springate, Chair of the Stadium Appeal.

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